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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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The amendment document filed on <u>20 November 2009</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.

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THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other
③ A Mendments to the drawings:     ☐ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).     ☐ B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.     ☐ C. Other
<ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li></ul>
5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4):
For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714.
TIME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:
<ol> <li>Applicant is given no new time period if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendment after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted.</li> </ol>
2. Applicant is given one month, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to Quayle action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.
Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) only if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action.
Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in:  Abandonment of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendmen filed in response to a Quayle action; or  Non-entry of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment.
/NANCY VOGEL/ Catherine Hibbert

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<sup>--</sup> The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Continuation Sheet (PTOL-324) Application No. 10/590,136

## Continuation of 4(e) Other: Attachment

The reply filed on 20 November 2009 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The Amendment to the Claims fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c). Claim 9 has added text in line 1 which is not indicated as new, such as by underlining. Claim 14 has deleted text in line 1 which is not indicated such as by strike-through or double-bracketing. Claim 47 shows previously deleted text in line 3. Claim 72 has deleted the text "exon" in line 5 which is not indicated such as by strike-through or double-bracketing. Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 0.2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c) which states:

(c) Claims. Amendments to a claim must be made by rewriting the entire claim with all changes (e.g., additions and deletions) as indicated in this subsection, except when the claim is being cancelled. Each amendment document that includes a change to an existing claim, cancellation of an existing claim or addition of a new claim, must include a complete listing of all claims ever presented, including the text of all pending and withdrawn claims, in the application. The claim listing, including the text of the claims, in the amendment document will serve to replace all prior versions of the claims, in the application. In the claim listing, the status of every claim ust be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following identifiers in a parenthetical expression: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New), and (Not entered).

(1) Claim listing, All of the claims presented in a claim listing shall be presented in ascending numerical order. Consecutive claims having the same status of 'canceled' or 'not entered' may be aggregated into one statement (e.g., Claims 1-5 (canceled)). The claim listing shall commence on a separate sheet of the amendment document and the sheet(s) that contain the text of any part of the claims shall not contain any other part of the amendment.

(2) When claim text with markings is required. All claims being currently amended in an amendment paper shall be presented in the claim isiting, indicate a status of 'currently amended,' and be submitted with markings to indicate the changes that we been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets; firstike-through cannot be easily perceived. Only claims having the status of 'currently amended,' or 'withdrawn' if also being amended, shall include markings. If a withdrawn claim is currently amended, its status in the claim listing may be identified as "withdrawn-currently amended."

(3) When claim text in clean version is required. The text of all pending claims not being currently amended shall be presented in the claim isiting in clean version, i.e., without any markings in the presentation of ext. The presentation of a clean version of any claim having the status of 'original," withdrawn' or 'previously presented' will constitute an assertion that it has not been changed relative to the immediate status of voxept to omit markings that may have been present in the immediate prior version of the claims of the status of "withdrawn" or "previously presented." Any claim added by amendment must be indicated with the status of "new" and presented in clean version, i.e., without any underlining.

(4) When claim text shall not be presented; canceling a claim.

- (i) No claim text shall be presented for any claim in the claim listing with the status of "canceled" or "not entered."
- (ii) Cancellation of a claim shall be effected by an instruction to cancel a particular claim number. Identifying the status of a claim in the claim listing as "canceled" will constitute an instruction to cancel the claim.

(5) Reinstatement of previously canceled claim. A claim which was previously canceled may be reinstated only by adding the claim as a "new" claim with a new claim number.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Catherine S. Hibbert whose telephone number is 571-270-3053. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 7:30 AM-5:00 PM, ALT. Friday, EST. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christopher Low can be reached on 571-272-0951. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information referrieval (PAIR) system. Status

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